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Ramanathan Srinivasan, et al

SLURRY FOR CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING SILICON DIOXIDE

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Ramanathan Srinivasan declares that he is a co-inventor, who on March 15, 2000 filed the above-identified application; that he conceived his invention in this country long prior to May 4, 1999 (hereinafter the effective date), the filing date of Kido et. al.; that prior to the effective date he prepared a description of his invention; that he worked substantially continuously with his attorney in preparing the subject application after completion of the enclosed description; that he does not know and does not believe that his invention has been in public prior to his application, and that he has never abandoned the invention.

He further declares that all documents containing evidence of his invention prior to May 4, 1999 are not available. This lack of evidence is primarily due to him leaving Clarkson University for employment during which transition such documents were either mis-placed, lost or destroyed.

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